**Literature List**

1. “**The Kids’ Book of the 50 Great States”**

By: Kids! (Scholastic)   
  
 This book has state-by-state scrapbook pages, filled with activities, fun facts, photos,

timelines, and so much more. Each page has games and maps for the

different states. Because kids created this book, this is a great book to share

with a class full of students. It is not only informational, but also a way to test their

knowledge with the activities included on each page.

2. “**Puzzle Maps U.S.A**”

By: Nancy L. Clouse

This book is a great book to get students involved when reading aloud. There are

questions that correspond to the page, which the students can answer. The book talks

about shapes and how they correlate with certain states. Something unique about the

book is that, the teacher can engage the student’s attention with being interactive and

not just reading to the class.

3. “**Fifty Nifty United States”** -Teacher Tube Video

<http://teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?title=Fifty_Nifty_United_States_&video_id=35821>

This video is perfect for trying to learn the fifty states. It has a very catchy tune and

repetitive lines, which are easy for the students to memorize the states and number of

colonies. Students are singing in the video, so it makes it more “kid-friendly.” The

animations vary throughout the video; there are colorful states to real looking states.

4. “**Kids Talk Politics”** <http://www.kidstalkpolitics.com/>

This video is one of a ten-year old girl singing the fifty states in 34.5 seconds.

Children would absolutely love this video because of the speediness and preciseness

that the girl knows every state in alphabetical order. This would be a fabulous video to

have the students stand up and be silly, while learning the fifty states.